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Amendments to the Claims:

The following is a complete listing of the claims of this application, with the 1 currently amended claim, claim 54, marked up to indicate changes, where deletions are indicated by strikethrough and additions indicated by underline.

Claims 1-53 (canceled)

Claim 54 (currently amended): A method for treating a subject having glomerulonephritis mediated by anti-double stranded (ds)-DNA antibodies that bind to the same epitope as an R4A antibody, the method comprising administering to said subject at least one peptide in an amount effective to bind to an anti-double stranded DNA antibody in the subject, wherein said peptide comprises a D-amino acid sequence of X1-Trp-X1-Tyr-X2, wherein X1 represents Asp or Glu, and X2 represents Gly or Ser.

Claim 55 (previously amended) The method according to Claim 54 wherein said peptide is 5-30 D-amino acids in length.

Claim 56 (previously amended) The method according to Claim 54 wherein said peptide is 5-15 D-amino acids in length.

Claim 57 (previously amended) The method according to Claim 54 wherein said peptide is 5-10 D-amino acids in length.

Claim 58 (previously amended) The method according to Claim 54 wherein said peptide is 5 D-amino acids in length.

Claims 59-70 (canceled)

Claim 71 (previously amended) The method according to Claim 54 wherein said peptide is 5-30 amino acids in length and comprises d-Asp-Trp-Glu-Tyr-Ser.

Claim 72 (previously amended) The method according to Claim 71 wherein said peptide is 5-15 amino acids in length.